

# Grinding, Lapping, Polishing, and Buffing Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (51-4033)

**Occupation description:** Set up, operate, or tend grinding and related tools that remove excess material or burrs from surfaces, sharpen edges or corners, or buff, hone, or polish metal or plastic work pieces.

## Employment and Job Openings

	Average employment			Average annual openings		
	2010 estimate	2020 projection	Percent change	Growth	Replacement	Total
Alaska	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
United States	72,600	73,600	1.4	100	1,140	1,240

### Job outlook

**Alaska:** The job outlook for Alaska is not available.

## 2013 Wages ?

	Mean Wage and 95% Confidence Interval			Wage by Percentile		
	Low	Mean	High	10th	Median	90th
United States	n/a	16.27	n/a	10.12	15.49	23.28

## Labor Force Indicators

### 2012 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	14
Number of job position postings	0
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	0.0

## Typical Entry-level Education, Experience, and/or On-the-job Training

**Education:** High school diploma or equivalent

**Work experience:** None

**On-the-job training:** Moderate-term on-the-job training